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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: David M. Drouin

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Examiner: D. E. Mercedes Group Art Unit: 2651

Title: **Handling Data Fault and Retry in Writing/Reading Data to/from a Disk**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to the Outstanding Office Action (with eight (8) Replacement Sheets and eight (8) Annotated Sheets), and an Extension Petition (with a check for \$510.00). No claims have been added, and as such, no additional filing fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 26, 2005

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